

Loup language

Loup is an extinct Algonquian language, or possibly group of languages, spoken in colonial New England. *Loup* ("Wolf") was a French colonial ethnographic term, and usage was inconsistent. In modern literature, it refers to two varieties, **Loup A** and **Loup B**.^[2]

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Attestation

Loup A, which may be the language of the Nipmuck, is principally attested from a word list recorded from refugees by the St. Francis mission to the Abenaki in Quebec. The descendants of these refugees became speakers of Western Abenaki in the eighteenth century. Loup B refers to a second word list, which shows extensive dialectal variation. This may not be a distinct language, but just notes on the speech of various New England Algonquian refugees in French missions.^[3]

Phonology

The phonology of Loup A (Nipmuck), reconstructed by Gustafson 2000:

Loup	
Pronunciation	[lu]
Native to	United States
Region	Massachusetts, Connecticut
Ethnicity	Nipmuck?
Extinct	18th century
Language family	Algonquian <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Algonquian ▪ Eastern Algonquian ▪ Loup
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Either: xlo – Loup A xlb – Loup B
Linguist List	xlo (http://multitree.org/codes/xlo) Loup A xlb (http://multitree.org/codes/xlb) Loup B
Glottolog	loup1243 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/loup1243) Loup A ^[1]



Chaubunagungamaug lake sign, in Nipmuk and English

Consonants

	Bilabial	Alveolar		Palatal/ Postalveolar	Velar		Glottal
		plain	pal.		plain	lab.	
Plosive	p	t	tʃ		k	(kʷ)	
Nasal	m	n					
Affricate				tʃ			
Fricative		s					h
Lateral		l					
Approximant	w			j			

Vowels

	Short	Long	Nasal
Close	i	i:	
Mid	e		
Open	a	a:	ã
Back-mid	o	o:	
Back-close		u	

The vowel sounds likely have the same phonetic quality as other southern New England Algonquian languages. The short vowels /i o e a/ may represent the sounds as [ɪ], [ʊ], [ɛ,ə], and [ʌ], while the long vowels /i:/, /o:/, and /ã/ correspond to /i/, /o/, and /ã/.^{[4][5]}

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External links

- [OLAC resources in and about the Loup A language](http://www.language-archives.org/language/xlo) (<http://www.language-archives.org/language/xlo>)
- [OLAC resources in and about the Loup B language](http://www.language-archives.org/language/xlb) (<http://www.language-archives.org/language/xlb>)

- [Nipmuc Language.org \(http://www.nipmuclanguage.org/\)](http://www.nipmuclanguage.org/)

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